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level of performance and optimizing individually front end and back end performance of each of said one or more data storage system..

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, and further comprising performing a storage management function after performing the step of simulating performance on the one or more data storage systems.

3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the storage management function is a performance modeling function.

4. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the storage management function is a storage capacity planning function.

5. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the storage management function is a consolidation of one or more data storage systems that may be denominated as one or more source data storage systems into one other data storage system that may be denominated as a target data storage system.

6. (Previously presented) The method of claim 5, wherein the one or more source data storage systems or the target data storage system is configured to be load balanced in accordance with information yielded from the step of simulating performance on the one or more data storage systems.